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GIVE ME LIBERTY

Since it is the fourth of July, you might have already finished the rest of that phrase in your mind: “or give me death.” Those defiant words of Patrick Henry helped shape a nation and its leaders. As much as we value liberty in our country, we are even more thankful for the liberty that God gives. In our study of the book of James both last week and this week, James mentions the “law of liberty.” God offers us freedom from sin and death, but that freedom was never intended to create an “anything goes” way of life. In the midst of that discussion of liberty, James emphasizes the importance of our actions matching our beliefs. He reminds us that our actions toward others are incredibly important in the eyes of the God who frees us.

In John 8:31-32, Jesus also talks about freedom when He says, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” If we want to live lives that are truly free of sin and death, we will choose in our freedom to follow Jesus and to recognize His truth. In our independence, we actually become dependent on the God who loves us and set us free.

Happy Dependence Day does not quite have the same ring to it, but it is something that followers of Jesus can celebrate every day. We depend on God. Paul captures that concept very well in 2 Corinthians 3:4-5, “Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God.” We are not self-sufficient. We know that in His perfect love, God provides for us and also frees us. That is true freedom.

- Brian

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Romans 6:23

July 4, 2021



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Scott Estes
Greg Hatton
David Hendricks
Richard Howard
Brent Lowe
Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis
David Dirrim
Thorin Turner
Kyle Wilson

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Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Brent Lowe's aunt, Charlene Ashley, is in Featherstone and has been put on comfort care. She is not expected to make it through the week. Please keep her and the Lowe family in your prayers.

Patrick Qualls is sick with pneumonia. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Sharon Sherrell was scheduled to be discharged from Mercy Hospital Ada on Friday. The family is not certain where she will be going when she is discharged. Please keep her and Wendell in your prayers.

Madonna Tidwell is at home and slowly improving. She had one, maybe two, procedures Friday morning. She would like to thank everyone and sends her love to all. Please continue to keep her and Bubba in your prayers.

Mary Lee, Carla Hasley's mother, will have a dye test done on July 9th to see if she will need a stint. Please keep Mary and Carla in your prayers.

Glendel Hatton's sister, Georgeann Jarman, came home from the hospital. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

We rejoice to hear that Tate Tindle was baptized last Sunday afternoon. She is the granddaughter of Glendel and Paula Hatton.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for ...

Wendell & Sharon Sherrell, Lewis & Lea Crain, David Bryant, Patsy Hill, Verna Cannon, Jeannie Wingard, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Gerald Joliff, Joe Medlock, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Alyene Sims, Mildred West, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Gatewood, Shirley Perry, Sherry Price, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Thayne Consequellos, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson, & Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart.

Happenings

Jeff Butler's Sunday morning Bible class started back up studying Romans this morning in the old kitchen.

Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month at 4 pm in the old kitchen. The next time they will meet is today.

The church office will be closed Monday in observance of July 4th.

The Yellow House will hand out food this month on July 26th from 8 am - 10 am. Helpers this month are: Darrell & Cindy Geiger, Glenda Lillard, Diana Hatton, Alan Simpson, James Myers, & Donna Duncan.

Vacation Bible School will be July 29th - 31st and volunteers are needed. If you can help with VBS, please see Thorin.



TIGERS FOR CHRIST

The college group will be going on their annual Broken Bow float trip on July 30th - August 1st. If you have any questions, please see Kyle.

who's your 1ONE?

Every follower of Jesus has been given the task of sharing His story with others to help spread the gospel around our community and the world. Although that sounds like a monumental task, it begins with each of us telling one person about Jesus and His love. Each of us has one person in our lives that needs that message. Who's your one? Don't forget to pray for your one. If you put his or her first name in the box in the foyer, our elders can pray for them by name too.

"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." - Acts 1:8b



July

04 Ladies Prayer Group
 04-10 Camp Lu'Jo
 05 Office Closed for 4th of July Holiday,
 AWTG (Britton Road - OKC)
 07 Summer Series (Tim Lewis)
 11 Youth Meal & Devo
 12 AWTG (Northwest - Lawton)
 14 Summer Series (Buster Sides)
 18 Ladies Prayer Group
 18-21 E.W.E.S. Camp
 18-23 Preacher's Training Camp
 19 AWTG (Choctaw)
 21 Summer Series (Phillip Johnson)
 25 Youth Meal & Devo
 26 AWTG (Southern Ridge),
 Yellow House
 28 Summer Series (Benjamin Williams)
 29-31 Vacation Bible School
 30-8/1 College Broken Bow Float Trip



July 4th-10th

Camp Lu'Jo

July 11th

Youth Meal & Devo

July 12th

AWTG Northwest
 (Lawton)



07/04 Debbie Hataway
 07/05 Brett Butler,
 Cale Hudson,
 Malinda Patterson
 07/06 Gary Hamilton
 07/07 Justin Kiker,
 Mildred West
 07/08 Lynnette Bryant,
 Cameron Treadaway
 07/09 Marjorie Thomas
 07/10 Trent Barrett,
 Summer Eck



07/04 Stefan & Daniela Iorga
 07/08 Cody & Trixy Reynolds

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN

Josh Higginbottom, Frank Holsapple
 Jr., Clay Patterson, Michale Perry, &
 Jonathan Wingard

Adult Classes

Butch Platt
 Ephesians
 Auditorium

David Dirrim

Southwest Corner Classroom

Jeff Butler

Romans

Old Kitchen

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College Group

Kyle Wilson

Fellowship Building

Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)

Thorin Turner

Youth Classroom

Kids (K-5th Grade)

Journey Land

History/Storytelling Classroom

Preschool (2 - 4 Year Olds)

3-4 Year Old Classroom

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

Baby Classroom

For the Record: 06/27/2021

Bible Study	133
AM Assembly	241
PM Assembly	166
Wednesday PM	172
Contributions	\$12,342
Budget	\$12,612



SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Jack Cadenhead
Opening Prayer: Bart Conley
Closing Prayer: Glendel Hatton
Scripture Reading: Jared Hudson
Lord's Supper Thoughts: David Hendricks
Communion Servers: Dusty Dennis, Joe Dirrim, Tim Hensley,
Daniel Jonka, & TBA
Balcony Servers: Trenton Hensley & Tommy Myers
Attendance Counter: Drew Graham
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Tommy Garrett & Kevin Graham
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Lane Garrett
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Cody Frye & Jake Williams
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Ried Duncan & Butch Platt

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones
Opening Prayer: Thorin Turner
Closing Prayer: Kyle Wilson
Attendance Counter: Jared Griffin
Communion: Trent Barrett & Chuck Love

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Brian Lewis
Announcements/Opening Prayer: Greg Hatton
Auditorium Class: Summer Series - Tim Lewis
Closing Prayer: Chelton Andrews
Attendance Counting: Chuck Love
Safety Team Walk: Lane & Tommy Garrett
Safety Team Camera: Russell Neill

July Contribution Counters:

Ronnie Osborn, Cody Frye, Will Lampkin, & Jack Long

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

"We Bow Down" - 577

Scripture: James 2:12-13

Prayer

"Christ For the World We Sing" - 626

"I Stand In Awe" - 96

"Blessed Assurance" - 480

Thoughts From the Cross: David Hendricks

"Come Share the Lord" - 364

Communion

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" - 663

Contribution

"My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less" - 538

A.M. Lesson: Playing Favorites

"Bring Christ Your Broken Life" - 911

Announcements

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" - 577

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Good Grief (David Dirrim)

Elder for July: Brent Lowe

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Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m.

Youth Group - College Group

K-5th Grades

Worship & Classes Online

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